

REMARKS

Claims 1 to 3 have been deleted. Claim 4 has been amended slightly to improve the wording of the claim. Claims 10 and 11 have been amended so as to be dependent on claim 9 rather than on claim 4. Claims 13 to 15 have been added. These claims are the same as original claims 1 to 3 respectively, except claim 13 is dependent on claim 4 whereas original claim 1 was independent. No new subject matter has been added.


The Examiner has required an election of either claim group A, comprising claims 1 to 3, or claim group B, comprising claims 4 to 12. The Applicant elects claim group B and has cancelled claims 1 to 3. New claims 13 to 15 are dependent on claim 4, and the Applicant respectfully submits that they fall within existing claim group B.

However, the Applicant respectfully submits that the subject matter of original claim 1 was a special case of original claim 4, namely that there is no copolymer Z. This is reflected in claim 4 as originally filed by the possibility that the value of y can be 0. This possibility has been made the subject of new claim 13, dependent on claim 4. The Applicant respectfully submits that claim 4 is a generic claim, of which new claim 13 is merely a specific case.

In addition, minor amendments to correct language has been made to claim 4. The dependencies of claims 10 and 11 have been changed in order to correct an antecedence issue regarding the second active material.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that the claims as amended herein are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and action to this end is respectfully requested.

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